BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 94-718-C - ORDER NO. 95-565 \(\sqrt{MARCH 9, 1995} \)

IN RE: Application of Southern Pacific
Telecommunications Company for a
Certificate of Public Convenience
and Necessity to Operate as a
Provider of Intrastate
Telecommunications Services in the
State of South Carolina.

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This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("the Commission") on the Motion for Leave to Provide Financial Information under Seal filed by Southern Pacific Telecommunications Company ("the Company"). The Motion made by the Company requests confidential treatment of the Company's financial information, including balance sheets, income statements, and information describing the Company's financial resources. The Motion states that the Company is a privately-held corporation and that its financial information is otherwise not available to the public. The Motion further states that the Company's financial information is proprietary and that disclosure would be harmful to the public, the competitive process, and consequently the public interest.

The Commission has considered this matter and holds that the Motion for Leave to Provide Financial Information under Seal must be denied. Traditionally, materials filed with Applications at this Commission have been public information unless the Company

states a good and compelling reason for this Commission to hold otherwise. The Commission believes, and so finds, that the Company has stated insufficient reasons for confidential treatment of its financial information. The Commission therefore denies the Motion.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion for Leave to Provide Financial Information under Seal is denied.
- 2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Rudolf Mittell

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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